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Lake Jackson, Texas

**City of Lake Jackson
Brazos River Flood Update
Sept. 5, 2017 –Noon Update**

We are beginning to see some good improvement in northeast Lake Jackson. Levels in the Bastrop Bayou have fallen slightly to around 15.0 feet at Old Angleton Road. Our drainage structure on FM 2004 is holding. Also, we have had a pump pushing water south from the Brazos on FM 2004 and Old Angleton Road, south along the Old Angleton Road to the Ross switch ditch, which then flows into Oyster Creek. This has been going for several days now and water is receding nicely in northeast Lake Jackson.

Northwood subdivision is still holding steady. We won't see relief here until the Bastrop Bayou finally makes a significant drop.

Jackson Oaks is also holding. The current pumping from Spanish Oaks to Jackson Oaks and then to the creek is helping to keep the water level steady in Spanish Oaks. We won't see levels drop until the Buffalo Camp/prison water levels drop below the berm height. But plans are in the works to move an additional pump to this location.

The Brazos at Rosharon was at 51.83 feet at 7 a.m. this morning. It is forecast to make a major drop starting Thursday or Friday at this location. So, we will probably see a similar drop of the river here this weekend. Then we just need to draw what is overflowed from the river through here.

Oyster Creek has held at 18.15 feet for over 24 hours now.

Now the issue is rain. Let's hope that we can avoid any rain of substance for the rest of the week.

Everyone is exhausted, but the work isn't done. We will keep after it until the danger is over.